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Man indicted for possessing methamphetamine, firearm

A 34-year-old man was indicted yesterday in federal court for possessing with the intention of distributing the highly addictive and dangerous drug methamphetamine.

Devon Jay Dugger, unknown address, was charged June 2 in Minneapolis with one count of possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance, one count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug-trafficking crime, and one count of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Dugger's indictment alleges that on April 10, 2008, he did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute 50 or more grams of a substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine. On April 10, Dugger also knowingly and willfully possessed a .25-caliber pistol during and in relation to the drug-trafficking crime.

Dugger was previously convicted of controlled substance crimes in both Minnesota and Oklahoma in 2003 and 2005.

If convicted, Dugger faces a potential maximum penalty of 40 years in prison on the controlled substance count, a life sentence on the possession a firearm in furtherance of drug-trafficking count and 10 years on the felon in possession count. All sentences are determined by a federal district court judge.

This case is the result of an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Anoka-Hennepin Drug Task Force, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Andrew R. Winter.

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An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that offenses have been committed by the defendant. The defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until he or she pleads guilty or is proven guilty at trial.